

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, starting at line 8, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is related to a co-pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/644,082, filed August 20, 2003 and entitled "Gaming Machine and Server Therefor"; ~~the application being filed on even date herewith.~~ The co-pending application is expressly incorporated herein by reference.